

**MINUTES
YALE CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
213 N. MAIN STREET, YALE, OKLAHOMA
JULY 11, 2023
6:30 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday July 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Jason Brown.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Those present were Brian Porter, Jr., Jason Brown, Larry Brown, Mike Strader and Nancy Griffin.
3. **CONSENT AGENDA** – Nancy Griffin requested to have Purchase Order 68049 removed as well as the minutes from May 2nd and May 9th meetings. Jason Brown made the motion to approve the remainder of the consent agenda, Larry Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.
 - a. **Approval of Minutes**
 - i. **Special Meeting – May 2, 2023**
 - ii. **Regular Meeting – May 9, 2023**
 - iii. **Regular Meeting – June 13, 2023**
 - iv. **Special Meeting – June 26, 2023**
 - b. **Approval of Claims**
 - c. **Financial Statements**
4. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA** – Jason Brown made the motion to approve the minutes from the May 2nd and May 9th meetings, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Abstain: Griffin, Porter.

Jason Brown made the motion to approve Purchase Order 68049, Larry Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
 - a. **A Public Hearing to hear evidence and testimony to determine the property located at approximately 110 S. "D" Street and described as GREENS ADD BLK 7 LOTS 7-8 & S-10' LOT 9, Yale, Oklahoma to be dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – Gary Thomas spoke stating he had purchased the property 2 years ago, he stated he was working to repair it and planned to retire here. Officer Moore stated the primary issue is the roof and the South wall. Mr. Thomas stated he had planned on moving a mobile home onto the property soon so he could have more time to work on the property.
 - b. **A Public Hearing to hear evidence and testimony to determine the property located at approximately 502 W. Beaumont Avenue and described as MINNICKS ADD BLK 5 LOTS 23-24, Yale, Oklahoma to be dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – Cari Cope stated her son owned the property and she's lived there for 2 years and has hauled things off as she could. The garage is an issue.
 - c. **A Public Hearing to hear evidence and testimony to determine the property located at approximately 523 W. Chicago Avenue and described as MISC TR 19-19N-06E D-756 (1.36 ac m/l) BEG 75'W NE/C NW/4; S-168' W-352' N-168' E-352' POB LESS HWY, Yale, Oklahoma to be dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – No comment
 - d. **A Public Hearing to hear evidence and testimony to determine the property located at approximately 508 W. Beaumont Avenue and described as MINNICKS ADD BLK 5 LOTS 21-22, Yale, Oklahoma to be dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – No comment
 - e. **A Public Hearing to hear evidence and testimony to determine the property located at approximately 403 E. Broadway Avenue and described as GREENS ADD BLK 5 E-51' LOTS 21-24, Yale, Oklahoma to be dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.** – James Downs spoke stating he moved from the property October 2022. The trash that was

left was from an ex-spouse. After being informed of the abatement he made arrangements to sell the property and the clean-up is part of payment for the property.

f. A Public Hearing to hear evidence and testimony to determine the property located at approximately 305 N. Main Street and described as CANFIELDS NORTH ADD BLK 2 LOTS 1-4, Yale, Oklahoma to be dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public.

– Clyde Britton spoke stating there was nothing on the property when they moved in, a privacy fence will be built, he works on mowers for a living, and they brought in a couple of buildings. Everything that is there they brought in, there is no grass and they have cleaned up other property around the area.

6. PUBLIC APPEARANCES – Maurice Lozier spoke to worker's at Senior Citizens Center and was told the City was not planning on replacing the Senior Center, he stated he hoped that was not true. He asked that the insurance money was used to repair the roof, stating we already lost the pool

7. GENERAL ORDERS

a. Consideration, discussion and action on a School Resource Officer Agreement with Yale Public Schools. – Mr. Kelly stated this was the same contract as last year. Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to approve a School Resource Office Agreement with Yale Public Schools, Jason Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

b. Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 110 S. D Street as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public. – Officer Moore stated his concern was with the dry rot on one side and the roof is also a concern. The owner stated he would be back out in 90 days, he would have to replace the entire wall and things were boarded up. Jason Brown made the motion to table the item for 90 days, Mike Strader seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

c. Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 502 W. Beaumont Avenue as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public. – Officer Moore stated the windows need to be boarded up, the porch cleaned up and the trailer is another issue. Ms. Cope apologized for the way it looks and stated she would try harder. Ms. Griffin asked about the junk in the yard and Ms. Cope stated she understood how serious this was. Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to declare the property dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public and to review at the October 10, 2023 regular meeting. Jason Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

d. Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 523 W. Chicago as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public. – Officer Moore said the property was in quite a state, it had been abated several times over the years but something needs to be done. Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to declare the property dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public with 30 days to remediate the property. Jason Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

e. Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 508 W. Beaumont as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public. – Officer Moore stated the primary concern on this property is the porch and to clean-up the weeds and trash. Jason Brown made the motion to declare the property dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public with 30 days to remediate the property. Brian Porter, Jr. seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

f. Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 403 E. Broadway Avenue as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public. – Officer Moore stated the grass had been cut, which was an improvement. Mr. Downs stated the property had been sold and was in the process of being cleaned up. Jason Brown made the motion to table this item to the September 12, 2023 regular meeting, Nancy Griffin seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

g. Consideration, discussion and action to declare the property addressed at 305 N. Main Street as dilapidated and a detriment to the health, benefit or welfare of the public. – Officer Moore stated there had been no active utilities since 1998, he didn't know how many campers were on the

property. There was no clear issue but a solution was needed. Jason Brown made the motion to declare the property as dilapidated and a detriment to the health benefit or welfare of the public with 30 days to remediate the property. Brian Porter, Jr. seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

8. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Consideration, discussion and action to appoint and form a Parks and Recreational committee.

– Jason Brown made the motion to appoint and form a parks and rec committee, Brian Porter, Jr. seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None. Nancy Griffin, Danae Reece, Mike Moore and Cindy White all volunteered for the committee at the time of the meeting.

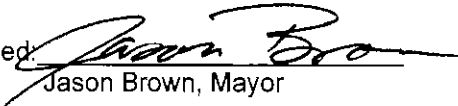
b. Report and discussion on storm damage and response efforts. – Mr. Kelly reported over Father's

Day weekend there were storms that came through the area with 100mph winds tearing the roof off of our Senior Citizens Center, it also flooded the building. We had several poles down around town, the city was without power for six days. The City of Purcell, Red Dirt Construction, Lazor Dozer Service, OMPA all came out for mutual aid to help clear lines and right of ways. There was a lot of volunteer help in the evenings, it was truly a joint effort with the community. Very proud of staff for all the hours that were put in, there was also a volunteer group that hauled limbs over the weekend, the community really pulled together.

9. ADJOURNMENT – Brian Porter, Jr. made the motion to adjourn, Jason Brown seconded the motion which passed as follows: Yea: Strader, Porter, Griffin, Larry Brown, Jason Brown Nay: None.

The regular meeting of the Yale City Commission was adjourned at 7:29 p.m. on Tuesday July 11, 2023.

Signed: 
Deanna Couch, City Clerk

Signed: 
Jason Brown, Mayor

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS POSTED THE 10th DAY OF JUNE 2023 AT 4:30 P.M. AT YALE CITY HALL.